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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill modifies the licensing, temporary permit, and continuing education requirements for podiatrists. Language that is obsolete due to changes in preceptorships and residency programs is stricken.

#### Section

- 1 License requirements.** Amends § 153.16, subd. 1. Strikes obsolete language regarding graduate training programs. Adds that applicants must successfully complete a residency program approved by a national podiatric medicine accrediting program.
- 2 Relicensure after two-year lapse of practice; reentry program.** Amends § 153.16, by adding subd. 1a. Adds that after a greater than two-year lapse of practice, a podiatrist seeking licensure or reinstatement must complete a reentry program to reestablish competency.
- 3 Applicants licensed in another state.** Amends § 153.16, subd. 2. Requires an applicant seeking licensure, whose license is inactive in another state, to submit evidence of participation in the same number of continuing education hours required in Minnesota Rules.
- 4 Temporary permit.** Amends § 153.16, subd. 3. Strikes obsolete language. Updates terminology to provide that the board may issue a temporary permit to a podiatrist in an approved clinical residency program, and may renew the permit annually until the residency is completed, terminated, or discontinued.
- 5 Continuing education.** Amends § 153.16, by adding subd. 4. Increases the continuing education requirement from 30 to 40 hours in each two-year cycle of license renewal.

